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**FROM:** James C. Lydon

**RE:** Examiner Interview  
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By: Tiziano DALL'OCCO et al.  
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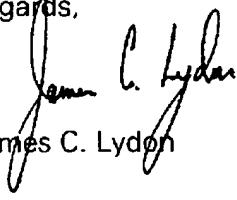
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Dear Examine Lee,

I enclose a proposed Amendment, and look forward to meeting you tomorrow at 1 PM. I will present an associate power of attorney empowering me to act in this application at that time.

Regards,

  
James C. Lydon

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Response Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
Expedited Response  
Group Art Unit: 1713

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

Tiziano Dall'Occo et al.

Serial No.: 09/914,305 Examiner: Rip Lee

Filed: August 27, 2001 Art Unit: 1713

For: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF ETHYLENE POLYMERS

PARTIAL AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PROPOSED

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002, a Petition and fee for a one month Extension of Time being submitted herewith, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 16-19 and 24 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please rewrite claim 1 as follows:

1. (Thrice Amended) A process for the preparation of polymers of ethylene comprising the polymerization reaction of ethylene and optionally one or more olefins in the presence of a catalyst comprising the product obtained by contacting:

(A) a metallocene compound of formula (I):